

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LAND SURVEYORS

Requirements for PLSIT Examination

REQUIREMENTS:

You must have a high school diploma or a GED. ***A COPY OF YOUR DIPLOMA OR GED MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR APPLICATION.***

You must have a four-year surveying degree.

At the present time, [East Tennessee State University](#) in Johnson City, TN is the only college in Tennessee which offers the four-year surveying degree program; however, degrees from out-of-state ABET accredited institutions will be considered.

OR

You must have obtained a baccalaureate degree from a science, engineering, or technology curriculum of four or more years related to the practice of land surveying, approved by the Board, plus an additional 24 semester hours of board-approved coursework in the surveying sciences.

OR

You must have obtained a baccalaureate degree from a non-surveying related curriculum of four or more years, approved by the Board, plus an additional 36 semester hours of board-approved coursework in the surveying sciences.

APPLICATIONS:

The applicant must submit an application with a fee of \$25.00 to be reviewed by the Board. If the application is approved, the Board will notify you of the time and place of the examination.

Applications must be received in the Board office by February 1 to be reviewed for the April examination and by August 1 for the October examination. ***IF YOUR APPLICATION IS NOT IN OUR OFFICE BY FEBRUARY 1 OR AUGUST 1, YOUR APPLICATION WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE HELD FOR THE NEXT EXAM REVIEW.***

OUT-OF-STATE APPLICANTS:

Tennessee does not have reciprocity with any state at the present time, but if an applicant has taken the 8-hour NCEES FS examination in another state and passed, and his qualifications prove favorable to the Board, he/she will be designated as a PLSIT without further examination. In order to progress to full licensure, the applicant who has the PLSIT designation must meet the requirements per [Tennessee Code Annotated](#) Chapter 62, Title 18, section 109(b)(1).

Applicants who fail the examination two or more times must complete a [re-take form](#) and be approved by the Board before retaking the exam [[Tennessee Code Annotated](#), Chapter 62, Title 18, Section 111(b)].

IF, AFTER TWO YEARS FROM THE ORIGINAL DATE OF THE APPLICATION, THE INDIVIDUAL HAS NOT PASSED THE REQUIRED TESTING, HE/SHE MUST WAIT ONE YEAR BEFORE SUBMITTING ANOTHER NEW AND COMPLETE APPLICATION AND APPLICATION FEE.

APPLICANTS APPROVED TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION:

Applicants will be notified in writing of their approval and \$125.00 examination fee required. The applicant is notified in a timely manner regarding the date, time and location of the FS examination.

Examination dates are determined by the [NCEES](#) and Tennessee adheres to these dates.

EXAMINATIONS:

Examinations are given in April and October.

The NCEES Fundamentals of Land Surveying (FS) examination is currently given on Saturday.

If the applicant fails the FS examination, he/she must take that portion of the exam again and pass in order to receive recognition as PLSIT, and another exam fee will be required.

STUDY MATERIAL FOR THE EXAMINATION:

NCEES – For specific information about the examination and for a study guide, visit the [NCEES](#) website.